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1. Status of Claims

Claims 1-25 were pending in the Application. Applicants appreciate the withdrawal of the previous final action. Applicants have amended claims 1, 2, 11, 15, 16, 19 and 22 without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendments and consideration of the enclosed remarks. Applicants submit that no new matter is added. Accordingly, claims 1-25 will remain pending in the application.

2. Rejections under 35 USC § 112

In section 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 2, 16 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Applicants respectfully traverse. However, solely in order to expedite prosecution, Applicants have amended claims 2, 16 and 19 to affirmatively recite that the visible and non-visible portions are of a frame as described in the specification. Applicants respectfully submit that the amended claims comply with 35 USC 112 and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

3. Rejections under 35 USC § 102(b)

In section 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,233,565 to Lewis, et al. ("Lewis '565").

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. However, solely in order to expedite prosecution, Applicants have amended independent claim 1 to recite that a client system program display window such as shown in an illustrative embodiment in FIG. 6 and associated text of the specification. Accordingly, the rejection is moot.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that Lewis '565 does not teach sending a first image such as claimed to such a client system program display window.

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Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 22 are patentable over the cited reference. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claims 1 and 22.

4. Rejections under 35 USC § 103(a)

In section 6 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 2, 4-5, 8, 10-14, 16-17, 19-21 and 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly rendered obvious by U.S. Patent No. 6,233,565 to Lewis, et al. ("Lewis '565").

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. Initially, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejected dependent claims are patentable over the cited reference for at least the reasons described above with reference to the respective independent claim and any intervening claims.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejection is defective since the Examiner admits that the cited reference fails to "explicitly disclose" the following element of claim 2: "the web browser application provides a non visible portion of the page for displaying a second frame including the first image;"

The Examiner then seems to suggest that such a limitation is implied in the reference. Initially, Applicants respectfully submit that such implication would not be proper absent a showing of an inherent teaching in the reference. Applicants do not discern a statement of an inherent teaching and if such was intended, Applicants dispute it. Furthermore, Applicants do not discern a Statement of official Notice in the rejection and respectfully request an explicit statement if such was intended so that it may be addressed. To the extent such a statement was intended, Applicants dispute it for at least the reason that it is not clearly expressed and request a citation to competent art.

There is no suggestion in Lewis '565 of a non-visible portion of the display. For example, as claimed in further dependent claims such as claim 10, there is no appreciation in Lewis '565 of the use of the mechanism of a first visible frame with control buttons wherein one of the control buttons actually causes the hidden frame to print. The system of Lewis '565 requires a data screen and then the user must resort

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to a separate print preview screen to execute a separate print preview screen. Then a separate print all button must be selected to then retrieve the print data (apparently not even yet rendered image data) for processing.

Therefore, there is no motivation to modify Lewis '565 to provide a second display window, since there was no rendered image data to place in it available.

Regarding claims 4-5, the Examiner admits that the cited reference does not explicitly teach the claimed elements. The Examiner does not otherwise provide a prima facie showing that the elements existed in the art and therefore the Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that one of skill in the art would not be so motivated to modify Lewis '565 as suggested at page 5 of the Office Action since the rendered postage images of Lewis '565 were not sent to the browser output. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claims 4-5.

Regarding claim 11, Applicants respectfully submit that the citations do not establish that an indication regarding a successful print was received from a user as currently claims in amended form. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claim 11.

Regarding claim 12, the Examiner admits that the cited reference does not explicitly teach the claimed elements. The Examiner does not otherwise provide a prima facie showing that the elements existed in the art and therefore the Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully submit that one of skill in the art would not be so motivated to modify Lewis '565 as suggested since there is no teaching of a print success threshold value. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claim 12.

Regarding claim 13, Applicants respectfully submit that Lewis '565 does not teach such a two visible frame system. In the illustrative embodiments, such a system is described as having advantages regarding the ability to separately control the invisible frame. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claim 13.

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Regarding claim 21, Applicants respectfully submit that the cited reference does not teach or suggest displaying an article abstract. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claim 21.

Regarding claims 23-25, Applicants respectfully submit that the cited reference does not teach or suggest controlling printing of a non visible portion of the display. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claims 23-25.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2, 4-5, 8, 10-14, 16-17, 19-21 and 23-25 are patentable over the cited references and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

In section 7 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 3, 6-7, 9, 15 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as allegedly rendered obvious by U.S. Patent No. 6,233,565 to Lewis, et al. ("Lewis '565") in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0110397 A1 by Bussell ("Bussell '397").

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. Initially, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejected dependent claims are patentable over the cited reference for at least the reasons described above with reference to the respective independent claim and any intervening claims.

Regarding Claim 15, Applicants respectfully submit that the cited references do not teach or suggest using formatting instructions to prevent access to non-visible portions as presently claimed. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection to claim 15.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 3, 6-7, 9, 15 and 18 are patentable over the cited references and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection.

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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-25 are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections.

5. Conclusion Of Remarks

For at least the reasons stated above, it is respectfully submitted that the claims of this application are in condition for allowance and early and favorable action thereon is requested.

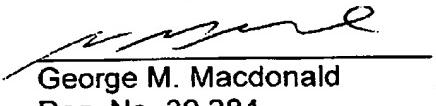
If the Examiner believes that additional issues may be resolved by a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned attorney for Applicant at (203) 924-3180.

6. Authorization

No fee is believed due with this response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the response or credit any overpayment to the Pitney Bowes, Inc. Deposit Account Number 16-1885, Order No. F-684-O1.

In the event that an extension of time or additional extension of time is required to make this response timely filed, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to the Pitney Bowes, Inc. Deposit Account Number 16-1885, Order No. F-684-O1.

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